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Applicants:

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Adding Imperceptible Noise to Audio and Other Types of Signals to Cause Significant Degradation When Compressed and Decompressed

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

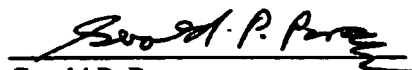
Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated December 13, 2004 in the above-identified patent application. In the Office Action, claims 1-51 were subjected to a restriction requirement. It is believed that claim 27 was erroneously included in Group II and should be part of Group I. Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I for examination, namely claims 1-27.

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